HCS HB 348 -- BINGO

SPONSOR: Brown (57)

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "Do Pass with HCS" by the Standing Committee on General Laws by a vote of 13 to 0. Voted "Do Pass" by the Committee on Rules- Legislative Oversight by a vote of 13 to 0.

This bill allows persons who have been a bona fide member of an organization licensed to conduct bingo for a least six months to participate in the operation of a bingo game. The Constitution currently requires at least two years of membership prior to participation.

This bill is the same as HB 1532 (2016).

PROPONENTS: Supporters say that this bill would allow newer members of organizations to help run bingo games.

Testifying for the bill were Representative Brown; Larry Adolphsen; Doug Crews, Missouri Press Association; and Phillip F. Hanson, Cosmopolitan Clubs of Missouri and Association of Charitable Games.

OPPONENTS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.